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Dear Sir:

With respect to the Restriction Requirement mailed on 3/18/2004, the Examiner has restricted the instant application to the invention of Group I (Claims 1-15), or Group II (Claims 16-21). In light of this, Applicants elect to pursue Group I, (Claims 1-15) without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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